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Local and General.

T. Clark King has bought the I. N. Burdick residence on Barnett avenue.

A. D. Murphy and C. S. Akey returned Tuesday from a trip to the coast.

Aunger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Smith of Calgary came up Saturday for a few days' visit with relatives.

Tom Jackson's have this week moved into the D. M. Horne residence on Hamilton avenue.

Mrs. D. M. Horne and children left on Monday evening for Chicago, where they will reside in future.

The high school basket ball team is arranging to go to Ponoka next week for a game of basket ball with the school team of that place.

Sergeant Joyce, of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, formerly located at Lacombe but now provost of Fort Saskatchewan, is renewing old friendships here this week.

The Vandeville and Moving Picture show did not play Lacombe Tuesday night, Miss Dare having an engagement at Edmonton on that evening as previously announced.

For Victoria Day the Canadian Pacific Railway Company announce a rate of fare and one third for the round trip. Tickets on sale May 22nd to May 25th inclusive, final return limit May 27th.

Word has been received from Mr. Marker, dairy commissioner, that a buttermaker will be sent to Lacombe this week to take charge of the creamery for the season. Everything will be in readiness to receive cream by Monday May 25th.—J. J. Gregory, President.

Found—On May 9th a farmer on arrival home from Lacombe, found some packages of merchandise in his wagon that some one had evidently placed there by mistake. One package contained four pounds of tea, another a pound of loose killer. Owner can recover same at The Advertiser office by proving property and paying for this notice.

While riding home from Lacombe last Monday evening Bert Gibson, son of W. M. Gibson, living at Jackfish Lake, met with a painful accident. In crossing the bridge two miles west of town the horse slipped on the wet plank and fell on the boy in such a way that his left leg was broken above the ankle. He was unable to proceed on his way homeward alone and sat there in the rain for some time before anyone came along. Finally Tom Talbot came that way and took the boy to his place and a surgeon was immediately called to attend to the broken limb.

The grand concert given in the opera house on Monday evening in aid of charity, was in every way a success. The attendance was large, the various numbers excellent, and that the audience was well entertained was fully evident by the hearty applause and frequent insistent encores. Mrs. Lister was ably assisted by Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Spratt, Mrs. McDonald, Miss Col-linson, Miss Bonn, the Misses Henshaw, Miss Mooney, Miss Lundy, Mr. Jamieson, Mr. Jones, and the Orchestra. Rev. White very acceptably filled the chair.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening. Mayor and all members present.

John Mc Kenty was present and asked for a refund of balance of the real estate license paid by him last year. Last year's council refunded \$25. No one else paid the fee and Mr. Mc Kenty thought he was entitled to fair treatment.

Minutes of last two sessions read and with slight correction approved.

A number of communications were read and disposed of.

Several bills were read and referred to finance committee.

A petition was presented by John Pratt and others asking for an extension of the sidewalk on Bailey avenue for 375 feet. The petitioners offer to furnish part of material and perform the work of laying walk. The petition was referred to the public works committee with instructions to report to the council.

Councillor Vickerson introduced bylaw to borrow by debenture \$3,000 for the purpose of raising funds to grade and gravel streets and build sidewalks. The bylaw was given its first reading.

Councillor McDermid introduced bylaw providing for the destruction of noxious weeds. Read first, second and third time and passed.

Councillor Browne introduced bylaw to borrow \$4,918 by debenture, to cover towns portion of cost of drain. The bylaw was given its first reading.

Council went into committee of the whole to consider the debenture bylaws. After lengthy consideration and much discussion the committee rose and reported, recommending that the bylaws be submitted to the ratepayers, one for \$3,000.00 to run ten years at 5%, the other for \$4,918.00 to run twenty five years at 5%. The ballot to be taken on both bylaws on June 15. On motion both bylaws were taken as read a second time and ordered published.

R. C. Webster asked if council had any objection to his breaking up the lots used for town pound. Council had objections.

Councillor McDermid thought something should be done to keep crossings cleaner during muddy times. The matter was left in the hands of the public works committee.

Mr. Mc Kenty's request for refund of real estate license precipitated a warm discussion on the real estate bylaw. Finally a motion carried that the solicitor be asked for opinion as to whether the council could legally refund the money. The solicitor declined to commit himself in an off-hand opinion, but would look it up and report at future meeting.

Methodist Young People's Summer School.

The Methodist young people of the Red Deer, Lacombe and Stettler districts are making arrangements for holding a summer school at Gull Lake, eight miles west of

Lacombe, lasting from the eighth till the fifteenth of July. A large tent will be secured for an auditorium and the delegates will bring tents or rent cottages. The program is being arranged and will be announced later. The program committee consisting of Reva Huettner, Barner and Webber are securing the services of the best men they can get. A missionary exhibit and laymen's missionary meeting are being arranged. There will be morning and evening sessions, leaving the afternoons free for recreation. The local committee consisting of Reva Gordon, Lacombe, Saunders, Blackfalds, and Neville, Bentley, along with Dr. Sharpe and Mrs. Bailey of Lacombe are making arrangements for preparing the grounds and transporting the delegates from the train to the lake. It is expected that 150 delegates will avail themselves of this ideal opportunity of combining the privileges of a visit to the lake and a great spiritual uplift.

Central School Report.
Names of pupils who obtained 66 2/3 per cent and over during April.
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Prizes for standing fields of seed grain will again be offered this year by the Lacombe Agricultural Society. This year the competition is confined to wheat and oats. Fields shall consist of ten acres in a block and shall not be situated a greater distance than twenty miles from the headquarters of the Society. Each competitor shall pay an entrance fee of \$2 to the secretary-treasurer when making entry. Prizes amounting to not less than \$100 will be offered. For further information and entry forms apply to N. E. Carruthers, Secretary Lacombe Agricultural Society.

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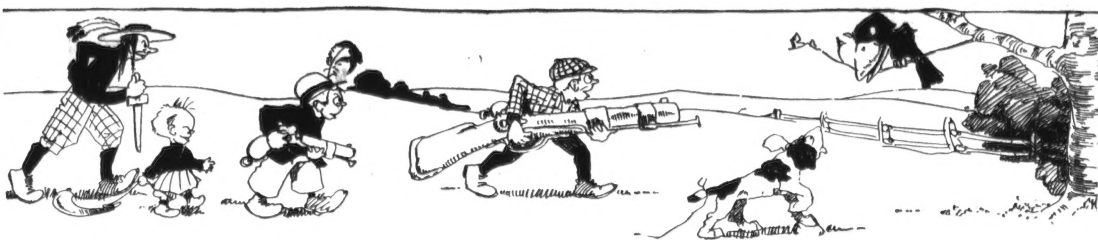
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Centrepieces are always acceptable to a woman who keeps house. Indeed, even the bachelor maid in her single bedroom and boudoir combined finds them a charming addition to her tea-table, while they make delightful presents for the linen chest of the engaged girl.

Specially attractive is this oval pattern, with its simple sprays of violets. The design, without being elaborate, is extremely effective, and lends itself to many interesting treatments.

Violets, strange to say, are among the most popular flowers for embroidery, even the novice in the art is not afraid to attempt them, probably because the shading is so simple and the petals comparatively small.

Now that colored embroidery has re-

a pale lavender linen, working the sprays in the California violet shades, the leaves in a soft gray green and the edge in the deepest shade of purple used in the flowers.

Even the woman who dislikes above everything taking off her own patterns should have little difficulty with this one, so simple is it.

A little over half the pattern is shown. To stamp, fasten the linen securely to a table or board, so it will not slip; then cut the impression paper face down between the pattern and the linen, and trace the design with a hard pencil. Shift the pattern to the other end of the linen, but the central scroll exactly over the last scroll traced, and take off the other end. The bunches of violets in the middle, of course, must not be gone over a second time. Begin to trace at the group of three scallops to right of the central scroll.

If colors are used, be careful in laundering the finished work, not to use hot water or strong soaps. Lightly dip it in a weak soda of some pure white soap, sop up and down once or twice, rinse in fresh water, shake out well and iron when partially damp. Use a moderately hot iron and press on the wrong side, having several thicknesses of felt or flannel under the centrepiece.

If the gift is to be sent through the mail, roll it on a pasteboard tube,

Home Dry Cleaning

EVERY professional cleaner has his own methods and preparations which he naturally prefers to keep to himself, but the woman who lives at a distance from a good cleaner, or who of necessity must economize, can do a great deal of her own dry cleaning if she will.

Light gloves, slippers and belts, silk or lace blouses and ribbons of various sorts are the articles that need cleaning oftenest, and if they are not too soiled are usually within the ability of the amateur cleaner.

Try pipe clay and alum, mixed in equal parts, for cleaning delicate shades of kid. Use a piece of soft flannel dipped into the mixture and rub repeatedly until the soil has disappeared.

Then wipe off with a piece of clean flannel and lay your gloves and belts away in oiled paper for safekeeping. Gasoline is the standby of the average woman who cleans her own gloves, ribbons and silk waists. It is well to remember, however, that there are two grades of gasoline, and it is never worth while to get the second best. The odor hangs round long after the gloves are ready for the ragman, and its cleaning properties are by no means to be recommended.

When you clean gloves in gasoline go into a room where there is no fire of any sort, put the gloves on your hands and rub off the first soil with a piece of cheesecloth that has been dipped into French chalk or pipe clay. Next dip your gloved hands into a bowl of gasoline and work off the rest of the dirt, using another piece of cheesecloth to expel the matter. Squeeze out the gasoline and rinse in a fresh supply. You may need a second rinsing before the gloves are quite to your liking.

If you are going to clean a silk waist, get plenty of the first quality of gasoline—a gallon, at any rate. If you wish to clean an entire dress, more will be necessary, for it is never well to economize on the quality or quantity of your cleaning materials. Pour about a third of the gasoline into your tub or basin and squeeze and rub your silk garment

until it is clean. Very much soiled pieces may be rubbed lightly on a small washboard, and it is sometimes necessary to rub a little pure white soap upon them.

When the silk looks clean, wring out the gasoline and rinse the garment in a mixture of two parts gasoline and one part water. Squeeze and shake again, this time in pure gasoline, wring and hang out in the sun to dry. Press on the wrong side with a warm (not hot) iron, laying a piece of oiled paper between the silk and the iron.

A white lace blouse that will not stand dipping into warm soap-suds can often be cleaned by laying it upon a sheet and covering every part of it with French chalk, or which is far more economical with cornmeal or buckwheat. Fold the surplus part of the sheet over the blouse and lay it in a safe place for a day or two. At the end of that time take out the blouse and brush and shake it free from every particle of the white cleaning dust. In extreme cases a second application may be necessary.

Black lace may be cleaned by putting it into alcohol and churning the lace about until the liquid foams. Spread the lace very smoothly and press under a weight instead of ironing it. Ribbons are cleaned like larger pieces of silk. A gasoline scrub will do wonders toward freshening up a broadcloth suit. Mackintoshes should be spread on wide boards and scrubbed with a stiff brush and yellow soapuds, then rinsed afterward with clean water.

Velvet or plush may be cleaned with either alcohol or turpentine. Be very lach of the garment must be carefully sponged, to raise the pile afterward, steam the material over the hot water pan of a chafin dish.

Light furs are cleaned with a mixture made of a pint of flour, a pint of bran and a tablespoonful of pipe clay. Apply with a piece of coarse flannel and rub the fur the wrong way. Shake free of the mixture, go over the fur with bran, shake well and wipe off with a piece of cheesecloth. Clean dark furs the same way, but use bran alone.

DESIGNED BY-

Margaret H. Ryfe

vided doubtless the first choice of treatment would be to use the natural colors in the silk on white linen. The flowers should be done in several shades of purple or in purple and white violets combined, while the leaves must be worked in at least three tones of green. Be careful in selecting the greens not to get shades that are crude and gray, as it ruins the artistic effect.

Work both the flowers and the leaves in Kensington stitch, and outline the stems. The centres of the violets should be filled with French knots in yellow.

The border, which has a particularly graceful arrangement of scallops, may be worked either in white, violet or green.

The padding for these scallops must be put on very evenly, as being rather wide they will otherwise not be smooth. The plain darning cotton for the filler, working an outline on either edge and filling in between with long running stitches set very close together. Or it may be filled in with chain stitch.

In the buttonholing finely and evenly, and if you have a superabundance of time and patience, the outer edge may

be buttonholed a second time after the scallops are cut out.

This design is equally attractive worked entirely in white on a white linen, with the petals heavily padded and worked in satin stitch, and the leaves done in a long and short stitch. Either white silk or mercerized cotton may be used. The former is very lovely at first, but will turn yellow in time.

In doing the leaves be sure to outline the edges of the leaf first, to raise the work otherwise it will be very flat. This centrepiece is very beautiful when

developed on the colored art linen—rose blue, lavender or pale green. With these colored backgrounds the whole design is usually carried out in white. It would be very effective, however, to use

folding in tissue paper as you roll it—on with baby ribbons, either white or blue and heavy paper on the outside. All centrepieces last much longer if

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A LEGISLATIVE CONSPIRACY.

Bill to Give Federal Grit Machine Control of Voters' List in Conservative Provinces. A Minister of Injustice Attached This Infamous Clause to an Alleged Electoral Reform Measure. Bill Will be Fought All Summer if Necessary.

Ottawa, May 9.—If the Laurier Government adheres to clause 1 of the bill to amend the Dominion election Act, the parliamentary struggle which began on Tuesday of this week will be in progress six months hence. The Opposition has carefully considered the question and has reached the conclusion that it would be treason to the rights and liberties of the people, and to representative government if this attempt to prevent fair and honest elections in some thirty constituencies should succeed. The proposed measure, which practically authorizes the stuffing of lists, or wholesale disfranchisement, according to the local party requirements, is a more safe and cowardly method than the devices of switching and stuffing ballots, importing personators manufacturing trick ballot boxes and similar schemes which have now been found dangerous in provinces where the Liberal machine does not control the department of justice. But it accomplishes the same purpose, at little expense, with less peril and more absolute certainty of success. It is invented by the same machine, introduced by the minister to whom the previous conspirators owe so much, and supported by those base elements which have brought the Liberal party into its present position of disgrace. If the measure should be adopted it will be operated by the class of officials of which Leach, Preston, Wagner, Moberly and Nixon are samples, and of whom Mr. Pritchett, "Cap," Sullivan and such persons have been advisers and instructors.

Tied to a "Reform" Measure.

With unparalleled impudence, added to hypocrisy, Mr. Aylesworth has attached this scandalous clause to what professes to be a measure amending the election law against corruption and fraud. The Aylesworth bill, as Mr. Boyce points out, is better described as a measure for the promotion of fraud and corruption, and the minister devoted nine-tenths of his speech to a defence of the infamous clause which is the main purpose of the bill. The provisions against bribery and fraud are much weaker than those of the bill introduced by Mr. Aikman on the Conservative side, and even these few whole provisions are tied to the main clause, so that the Opposition can only secure this much election reform by giving the government power to steal a dozen or more out of add names to any extent, seats which otherwise they could not hope to carry.

The Meaning of It.

What is this clause which the Opposition are fighting? It is the federal officers, no qualification simply a provision giving the gov-

ernment power to step in after the election writs are issued, and prepare new electoral lists for the whole of British Columbia, the whole of Manitoba and all those parts of Ontario and Quebec which are not organized into municipalities. British Columbia and Manitoba have complete and thorough registration systems. The unorganized and outlying districts of Ontario and Quebec are amply provided for by the provincial franchise law. So far as Quebec is concerned, the chief effect of the measure would probably be to allow the Dominion authorities to make voters' lists of miscellaneous railway laborers along the line of the Transcontinental and attach them to certain constituencies. The effect in Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia will be to enable the machine to create absolutely new lists, to do it at the last moment, to shut out all effective appeal and all publicity, and so to carry out under form of law that process of steel stealing which was performed contrary to law, by the "thin red line" crime of 1904. It would do more easily what was accomplished by the London conspiracy of 1905, by the Brockville and Huron steals of 1889, by the St. James, Montreal, plot of 1903, and was attempted by the trick ballot boxes in Hastings and Frontenac four years ago.

Vicious on Its Face.

Mr. Aylesworth points out that the Conservative party is committed to federal control of federal franchises, while he admits that his own party is committed to provincial control. Each system has its merits if honestly pursued, and each might be honestly advocated. But there is no merit and no honest purpose in a method which retains provincial control in provinces where the Laurier party dominates and imposes federal control of the franchise in Conservative provinces. The Aylesworth bill does not touch the Maritime Provinces, it does not touch Quebec except probably in the Transcontinental Railway belt. It does not trouble Alberta or Saskatchewan, which are under Grit rule. But for Dominion elections it authorizes absolute control of the franchise in the two Conservative provinces of the west and of a large part of Ontario.

What the Bill Does.

The bill provides that in the provinces concerned "voters' lists shall be prepared immediately after the issue of any writ for an election, or at any time when the Governor-in-council so directs; and for the purpose of preparing and giving effect to such voters' lists the Governor-in-council may appoint all necessary officers and confer upon them all necessary powers," and that "no person whose name is not included in the voters' list as prepared, and revised shall be entitled to vote." The measure professes to adopt the provincial franchise system and method, and to take the provincial lists for a basis, but it freely authorizes the Dominion officers appointed for that purpose to strike power to steal a dozen or more out of add names to any extent, seats which otherwise they could not hope to carry.

nothing to prevent the government turning over the whole business to a political committee of Cap. Sullivan, Leaches and Moberly's. A False Excuse.

The only excuse for this intervention is the fact that constituencies in Manitoba and British Columbia sometimes cross the boundaries of Dominion constituencies, requiring the rearrangement of names. It is true that this happens elsewhere than in these provinces, but the government does not mind that. It is true that this little difficulty could easily be met by the appointment of a judge in the locality to assign the voters to their proper polls. It is true that the worst offences in the "red line" crime of 1904 happened in districts where these broken boundaries did not occur, and where there was no excuse for the wholesale disfranchisement. It is also true that Mr. Borden and the Manitoba Conservatives have declared their willingness to accept a measure which will meet the difficulty about boundaries without interfering with the provincial control of franchises. They are willing that Mr. Aylesworth shall accomplish all that he pretends to desire if he will be content with that.

The Real Intent.

But Mr. Aylesworth and his Manitoba supporters have shown clearly that overlapping of boundaries is not their trouble. They have attacked the Manitoba Government and its control of the franchise. They have read in the House affidavits, proved to have been bought and paid for, to show that Manitoba provincial lists were unfair. Their Galician affidavit-maker has served a term in jail, and is entitled to another one. It is established that Manitoba has a franchise system as free, registration as fair, and lists as near perfect as can be found anywhere in Canada. According to Liberal doctrine the provincial governments have a right to control the franchise for Dominion elections in that province, and while a Grit government was there that right was never questioned. It was never questioned as to British Columbia until the Conservatives obtained control there. It will never be questioned as to Alberta and Saskatchewan while they are governed by the Grit machine.

It is a Conspiracy.

The Aylesworth bill is as clear a case of political conspiracy as the London election crime. A similar measure was proposed before the election of 1904. Mr. Sifton, who fathered it told his followers in Manitoba at revision time that they need not trouble about the election list, as the authorities at Ottawa would attend to that. The present Chief Justice Fitzpatrick was then Minister of Justice, and it is understood that he absolutely refused to sanction this plot. So the Sifton bill was not introduced, and the western boss authorized his organizers and returning officers to mutilate the lists without legal authority. Many officers found themselves in the criminal courts in consequence, and others were greatly ashamed. Mr. Aylesworth confesses that his present bill is made necessary by the fact that the officers will not take any more such risks. Mr. Borden, Mr. Aikman, Mr. Boyce, Dr. Roche, Mr. Monk, Mr. Lake and others have exposed fully the facts above set

They have made it clearly understood that they are willing to assist in providing a remedy for every wrong, and they have made it equally clear that the Opposition will resist by every constitutional means this proposed legislative crime.

Happy Walberg.

Ottawa, May 9. A. E. Walberg has the run of the Railway Department, as Wilson and Morwin have of the Department of Marine, and Burrows of the Interior. Chief Engineer Mackenzie of the Intercolonial testified on Thursday that Walberg had eleven contracts now running with that road. Most of them are in whole or in part on private terms. For instance, the railway required some 15 tons of steel girders from Truro. There are seven or more establishments in Canada selling girders. The officer stated that they were all too busy to provide the goods and so he did not ask one of them. The department bought the girders from Walberg privately at 44 cents a pound, and Walberg immediately turned over the order at less than 3 cents a pound to the Dominion Bridge Company of Montreal. This concern was not too busy to fill it, and would have sold to the Government at the same price. Here is the financial result: Walberg paid \$911.00, the Government paid \$1,414.80, Walberg's profit, \$503.80 or 55 per cent.

Great Bargains.

The Chief Engineer testified that he thought he got steel cheap at 44 cents, when the market price was 3 cents. He has Walberg engaged carrying on miscellaneous construction work at Moncton by special arrangement under which Walberg hires the men and the Government pays him 15 per cent over the cost, or \$22.50 per day commission.

The Intercolonial officers, who testify that 44 cents is cheap for 3 cent steel, that \$15,400 is a low price for land in Halifax just bought in the open market for \$18,588, and that land bought in the open market in Moncton at \$5,075 is a great bargain a few days afterward for \$13,880, belong to the same combination with Commissioner Young of the Transcontinental, who swore this week that he had made a fine bargain for the country when he paid \$222,000 for land at Winnipeg bought a short time before on credit for \$99,000. All the departments of the Government are making such splendid bargains every day. There has never been a deal or a steal in departmental history which the Government was not able to defend by the evidence of its officers. It was easy to find an official to testify that \$960 was a reasonable price for a \$35 Sturtevant engine.

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Local and General.

Wm. Crow made a business trip to Calgary this week.

James McVay, of Calgary, is in town on a brief business visit.

J. D. Skinner spent last Saturday in Camrose, which he says is a flourishing little town.

Old papers for covering shelves and putting under carpets, for sale at The Advertiser office.

The Lacombe Brass Band have been engaged for the Blackfalds celebration on Victoria Day.

Reports from the first day's selling of pure bred bulls at Calgary show low average prices, though the sale of the champion Shorthorn bull established a new record for high price.

The teachers of the Lacombe inspectorate will meet in convention at Ponoka on Thursday and Friday May 28th and 29th. The schools will enjoy a brief holiday on this occasion.

Word has reached Lacombe that O. A. Butterfield's little son was recently shot by a 22 rifle in the hands of a playmate, the ball passing through both eyes, leaving him permanently blind.

Corporal Ennor of the mounted police came in Sunday from the Mountain House district with Chas. Rider in custody on a charge of horse stealing. The prisoner was taken north and will be brought back later for his preliminary hearing.

The Lacombe Tennis Club is now well under way. A schedule of games will be arranged within the next few days. Persons wishing to join the club may do so by seeing any member of the executive or Mr. Merrill, the secretary of the club.

The Lacrosse Club held a meeting on Saturday night and organized for the season. The lacrosse enthusiasts are entering into the spirit of the game this time in a way that gives great promise for an active season for Canada's national game.

A. Gilmour was called to Ontario last week by a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his father. On Saturday Mrs. Gilmour received a wire from her husband stating that his father had passed away that morning after undergoing an operation.

On last Friday George Beddoes was up before Justice of the Peace McKenty on a charge of unlawfully setting out a fire, preferred by Maj. McPherson in his capacity as fire guardian. There not being sufficient evidence to support the charge the case was dismissed.

An interesting case came up before J. P. Carruthers on Saturday last. It appears that on May 7th when the wind was blowing a gale and everything was dry as powder, a fire was started which burnt over a large scope of country. W. H. Wilkins, whose timber was ruined, accused his partner and had him pulled. Mr. Davidson admitted setting out fire and was assessed \$25 and trimmings.

The provincial Olympic trials, consisting of twenty-five events, will take place at Calgary on Saturday May 27th, with the exception of the Marathon race which takes place between Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan on May 25th. The winners in the provincial trials will be qualified to enter for the finals which are to be held in Toronto on June 6. The winners in the finals are to represent the Dominion in the Olympic contests in London, England, in July. Special low railway rates are announced for those wishing to attend the provincial trials.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Yes it is funny, isn't it, that Halpin should be the councillor to work tooth and toe-nail for an illegal bonus from the town for a political issue of a Grit paper?

Halpin gives himself dead away in charging that The Advertiser is ungrateful because it refuses to have its opinions moulded by bribes, bonuses, etc. Yes, yes, the people are fully onto Halpin.

The battle between Halpin and Mr. West was warmer as the days grow longer. In another column appears Mr. West's reply to one of Halpin's insulting squibs, for which reply Mr. West assumes full responsibility.

The organette once in a great while inadvertently permits a line of truth to slip into its columns. Here is a gem we noticed in the last issue: "Contrary to general belief, cigarette smoking does not injure the brain; people with brains do not use them." What a pen picture of the guilty councillor to come from the organette! A good many people had sized him up that way, no doubt, but we had hardly looked for such confirmation through the organette.

Poor Little Halpin! In his last issue he falls back on that time worn recourse of people who realize that they have come out at the little end of the horn: "I won't play with you any more." The people have learned to distrust almost any statement Halpin makes, at the same time many of them sincerely hope he will stick to his promise, as even those who patted him on the back in the beginning have grown very tired of his vapourings.

As still further evidence of the dependence that can be placed on Halpin's statements, we will call attention to the following which appeared in his last issue:

The Advertiser "has received the bulk of the town printing appropriation; a hundred dollars more than we have, in fact."

The town records show that this year's council has paid Halpin for printing \$72.30 and that it has paid The Advertiser for printing \$8.00. This is the town record for it and it tallies with our recollection. Further than this, our town printing which the two offices have on hand as yet unbilled to the council, to our positive knowledge The Advertiser's proportion will be the least by no greater than in that shown by the town records. This leaves out of the consideration the \$30 bonus recently voted to Halpin by the council.

And even in the face of this indisputable evidence, open to every rater, Halpin has the gall to place this falsehood in his columns: The Advertiser "has received the bulk of the town printing appropriation; a hundred dollars more than we have, in fact." Yet Halpin fondly hugs the delusion that a few of his clique still take stock in his statements.

Spring Valley.

The prospects for a big crop have never been brighter.

Fall wheat looks beautiful.

Farmers are busy planting spuds and getting land ready for barley.

C. L. Harrison of Higgins, is visiting the old home.

The Bible Class will discuss China next Sunday night.

W. A. Roe took a carload of cattle to Vancouver for P. Burns & Co.

May 7 was a memorable day for Spring Valley. The day was very windy and fires were started in different directions. Soon the whole country was ablaze the flames rolling through the bush

Great Stock Reducing Sale

Beginning May 16, 1908.

As I am about to move to the west room in the Victoria Hotel Block, on Barnett Avenue, and wish to reduce my stock before moving, I am making big reductions in prices.

Overalls	\$1.00	now	.80
Youths' Overalls	.80	now	.65
Took's Tailor Made Shirts	1.25	now	\$1.00
Took's Negligees	1.00	now	.75
"	.75	now	.60
Ties	.50	now	.30
"	.35	now	.25
"	.25	now	.15
Horse Hide Gloves	2.00	now	1.50
"	1.65	now	1.25
"	1.50	now	1.20
Men's Working Boots	2.60	for	2.00
"	2.00	for	1.60
"	2.50	for	1.95
"	2.25	for	1.75
"	3.50	for	2.50
"	4.00	for	3.00
Men's Suits	10.00	for	8.50
"	15.00	for	13.50
6 two piece Suits	\$7.25 and 7.00	for	5.50

The above ranges and prices only represent a portion of the goods we can show you at equally low prices.

Alf. J. McLaughlin

The Clothier.

One door east of P. O.

at a terrific rate killing nearly all the green timber. Davidson's mill had a narrow escape. The damage done was considerable; but we'll have dry wood for the next ten years.

Births.

CRAIG—At Forshoe, on Tuesday, May 12, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Craig, a daughter.

LESPEANCE—At Lacombe, on Thursday, May 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lespeance, a son.

PRATT—At Lacombe on Wednesday, May 13, to Mr. and Mrs. John Pratt, a daughter.

CAMPBELL—At Lacombe on Friday, May 15, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell, a son.

PIERCE—At Lacombe on Friday, May 15, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pierce, a daughter.

MCLEARN—At Lacombe on Thursday, May 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank McLearn, a son.

Deaths.

Mrs. George Draper died at her home near Forshoe on Sunday, May 17th, after a lingering illness with dropsy. Aged 66 years, 3 months, 8 days. The body was laid to rest in Kimbey cemetery on Monday.

At Canyon, on Wednesday, May 20th, occurred the death of Joseph Tate, age 70.

A Slow Enquiry.

Ottawa May 9, 1908. Judge Cassels began Chief Counsel Watson's inquiry, last Saturday, and adjourned for a fortnight. The sitting was long enough to show that the accomplished and experienced whitewasher, Mr. Watson, will determine the line of investigation and decide who shall be investigated. He began by bringing up Commissioners Fyvie and Bazin and demanding to know what

they meant and whom they meant by their charges of "lack of conscience." To Mr. Watson's stern questions the commissioners merely replied that they changed the whole department and had submitted the facts to prove their conclusions, but that they did not propose to act as detectives to a new commission. Asked by the judge and Mr. Watson whether they realized the position of disgrace in which they had placed the responsible officers of the Marine Department Mr. Fyvie stated that it was the department itself and the facts which brought about the position. So the case stands over the former commissioners declaring that they stand by every word of their report.

The Play "Rod and Gun"

Exceedingly attractive is the May number of "Rod and Gun and Motor sports in Canada," published by W. J. Taylor at Woodstock, Ont. Stories of hunting, moose, mountain goat, bear, deer and ducks surely offer enough variety to the hunter, while to the fisherman the papers on salmon in Ontario rivers by the Rev. Dr. Murdoch, and muskies once fished by W. Hickson must call up memories and awaken thoughts such as only the fisherman can know. "Early Post" difficulties in Eastern Canada," is a contribution to the history of a past which is near enough to be full of the deepest interest to the present generation. The visit of the President of the Alpine Club of Canada is described, and a touching account given of the fatal accident which occurred to the leader of the party attempting a record climb to the Swiss Alps. "The Majesty of the Mail," a story of the heroic efforts made by the letter carriers of the far north to deliver mail in cold and graphic fashion and one understands as one reads this fine contribution how it is that despite enormous difficulties and dangers the "Hudson Bay Courier" has never lost a mail. What wonderful heroes these northern mail carriers are. Amongst the many other interesting pieces to be found within this number is a page of "Canoe Don'ts" most appropriate as the canoeing season of the year is just beginning, and an account of a one-legged trapper who makes his own wooden legs. These are but samples of the many good things in this number which forms in itself a demonstration of the wide field of interesting experiences to be found within the Dominion.

Open Letter to the Editor of the Western Globe.

Mr. Editor Globe: Dear Sir:—Still your compliments keep coming, which we are pleased to hear. You spoke of ignorance. I will admit I am ignorant. At the same time I know enough to mind my own business, which you don't. You spoke of decorating the nuisance grounds. Well Mr. Editor of the Globe, in my opinion it is a piece of work I think should be done, but we are short of material to complete the work as it is necessary to have something to set in the centre of the grounds for to accommodate the canine gentry that pass by and you are the best material in my opinion and would fill the bill as you are so fit enough to absorb all the moisture that they would bestow upon you. So good bye for the present Mr. Editor of the dirty sheet.

Hospital Fund.

Lacombe, April 2. Total cash on hand \$1053.25 Amount paid for hospital site \$311.50 Total contributions to date \$1364.75

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FOR SALE.

I have 12 yearling heifers for sale, or will trade for steers. JAS. EADIE, Sec. 26 41 27, W. 4. Lacombe P. O.

Horse for Sale

Stallion mare 10 years old, in foal, weight about 1200, drive single or double. \$125. W. H. PENNINGTON, 5 miles east of Morningdale.

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the Estate of Earl F. Heath of the Village of Tees in the Province of Alberta, Merchant, Insolvent.

Notice is hereby given that Earl F. Heath of the Village of Tees in the Province of Alberta, Merchant, lately carrying on business at the said Village of Tees has made an assignment under Chapter 6 of the statutes of the Province of Alberta 1907, of all his estate credits and effects to me, of the Town of Lacombe in the Province of Alberta aforesaid for the general benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of the creditors of the said Insolvent will be held at the office of J. I. Poole in the said Town of Lacombe on Thursday the 4th day of June 1908 at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon to receive a statement of the affairs of the said Insolvent, to appoint inspectors, and fix their remuneration, and for giving directions with regard to the affairs of the said estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the said Assignee with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said Act, on or before the day of such meeting.

And further notice is hereby given that after the 4th day of July, 1908 the said Assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Insolvent among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed, to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Lacombe, Alberta, this 23rd day of May 1908.

J. D. SKINNER, Assignee.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Estate of Frederick Henry,

Notice is hereby given pursuant to an order by the Honourable Joseph E. Noel, Justice of the District Court of the District of Wetaskiwin, made herein the 13th day of April, 1908, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of Frederick Henry, late of near Valley City in the Province of Alberta, who died on or about the twenty-fifth day of January, 1908, are required to send in their said claims together with a statement of the securities (if any) held by them duly verified by a Statutory Declaration, to the undersigned at Valley City on or before the 1st day of June, A. D. 1908, and that after the said date the undersigned Executors of the said estate will be at liberty to proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased or any part thereof amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which the said Executors shall then have notice, and shall not be liable for the assets of the said estate or any part thereof so distributed, to any person, of whose claims the said Executors shall not have had notice at the time of the distribution of the said assets or such part thereof as aforesaid.

Dated at Valley City this 6th day of April, 1908.

C. F. THOMPSON.

Tenders Wanted

Scaled tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked Tender for School, will be received up to July 6th, 1908, for the erection of a frame school house for Medowbrook S. D. No. 1751. Plans and specifications may be seen at the residence of the undersigned after June 1st. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

G. B. BARCLAY,

Sec.-TREAS.

Iowalla P. O. 12-42-28.

Gull Lake Cottages For Rent!

Three cottages to rent for the season at Gull Lake, also two cottages for sale. For particulars address H. Brownlow, Bentley, Alta.

Miss Ceba Michener

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